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UNITED STATES DISTI SOUTHERN DISTRICT	OF NEW YORK	
MARIA MERCEDES RO GARCIA and PAOLA G	SARIO BRETON, FABIAN	
	Plaintiffs,	
	<b>v.</b>	06 CIV. 7110 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, I RUBBER and TIRE COM	NC., and THE GOODYEAR MPANY,	
	Defendant.	
GREYHOUND LINES, I	NC.,	
	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
	v.	
MOTOR COACH INDUS	STRIES, INC.,	
	Third-Party Defendant.	
GREYHOUND LINES, I	NC.,	
	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
	v.	
UGL UNICCO, Formerly UNICCO Service Compa		
	Second Third-Party Defendant.	
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06 CIV. 11382 (PKL)

Third-Party Defendant.

GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,

Third-Party Plaintiff,

 $\mathbf{v}$ .

UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company,

Second Third-Party Defendant. \_\_\_\_\_

06 CIV. 13371 (PKL)

Defendant.

GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,

Third-Party Plaintiff,

 $\mathbf{v}_{\bullet}$ 

MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC.,

Third-Party Defendant.

**GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,** 

Third-Party Plaintiff,

v.

UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company,

Second Third-Party Defendant.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	v
BETTY DORCE EXUME, as ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF ANTONIDE DORCE, deceased, and BETTY DORCE EXUME, individually, JACQUELIN BERTRAND and MARIE LILIANE MILARD,	<b>-</b> A
Plaintiffs,	
v.	07 CIV. 3289 (PKL)
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC.,	
Third-Party Defendant.	· ·
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,	m=_A_
Third-Party Plaintiff,	
v.	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC.,	
Third-Party Defendant.	<b>v</b>
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,	
Third-Party Plaintiff,	
v.	
UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company,	
Second Third-Party Defenda	

UNITED STATES DISTRICT OF	F NEW YORK	
CHRISTIAN YOPA and AF	BI-SARA MACHOLD,	
	Plaintiff,	
	v.	07 CIV. 6889 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, INC RUBBER and TIRE COMP		·
	Defendants.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC		
	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
	<b>v.</b>	
MOTOR COACH INDUST	RIES, INC.,	
	Third-Party Defendant.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC	Z-+5	
	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
	v.	
UGL UNICCO, Formerly K UNICCO Service Company		
	Second Third-Party Defendant.	

UNITED STATES DISTRIC SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF	NEW YORK	
SHERRY ANN GEORGE, SI Mother and Natural Guardia Infant, and SHERRY ANN G IDOHOU, as Co-Administrat DOREEN GEORGE, Decease	n of VOSHONA GEORGE, SEORGE and ALLISON tors of the ESTATE OF	
F	Plaintiffs,	
v.		07 CIV 8364 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, INC. RUBBER and TIRE COMPA	•	
	Defendants.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.	,	
n	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
	v.	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTR	RIES, INC.,	
	Third-Party Defendant.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.	···	
ר	Third-Party Plaintiff,	
	<b>v.</b>	
UGL UNICCO, Formerly Kr UNICCO Service Company,	nown As	
	Second Third-Party Defendant.	

UNITED STATES DISTRICT C SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NE	W YORK	
CHEIKH SIDY MOHAMED TA CISSE, Individually and as Co-L SOULEYMANE TAMBADOU,	MBADOU and OURY iquidators of the Estate of	
Pla	intiffs,	
<b>v.</b>		07 CIV 9299 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., an RUBBER and TIRE COMPANY		07 CIV 9299 (I KL)
Def	endants.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,	A	
Thi	rd-Party Plaintiff,	
<b>v.</b>		
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES	S, INC.,	
	ird-Party Defendant.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,	A	
Thi	ird-Party Plaintiff,	
V.		
UGL UNICCO, Formerly Know UNICCO Service Company,	n As	
Seco	ond Third-Party Defendant.	

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
CINDYLYN LAMARCHE,  Plaintiff,	
<b>v.</b>	08 CIV 2438 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,  Defendant.	[Related to 06 CIV 13371 (PKL)]
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., Third-Party Plaintiff,	
v.	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company and THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, Third-Party Defendants.	
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORKX	
LIONEL CADELIS,  Plaintiff,	08 CIV 2439 (PKL)
v.	[Related to
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., and THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY,  Defendants.	06 CIV 13371 (PKL)]
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., Third-Party Plaintiff,	
<b>v.</b>	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC. and UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company, Third-Party Defendants.	

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
MAMADOU SAIDOU BAH and GNALEN BAH, Plaintiffs,	
<b>v.</b>	08 CIV 2440 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., and THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY,  Defendants.	[Related to 06 CIV 13371 (PKL)]
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., Third-Party Plaintiff,	
V.	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC. and UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company,	
Third-Party Defendants.	
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
SYLVINA JEAN CLAVIEN and RAPHAEL DANIS, Plaintiffs,	
v.	08 CIV 3566 (PKL)
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., and "JOHN DOE", that name being fictitious, his true name being unknown to Plaintiff,	[Related to 06 CIV 13371 (PKL)]
Defendants.	
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., Third-Party Plaintiff,	
v.	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company and THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY,	
Third-Party Defendants.	

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
LAUREN BICKFORD-BUSHEY, Plaintiff,	
v.  GREYHOUND LINES, INC. and THE GOODYEAR TIRE and RUBBER COMPANY,  Defendants.	08 CIV 4465 (PKL)  [Related to 06 CIV 13371 (PKL)]
GREYHOUND LINES, INC., Third-Party Plaintiff,	
V.	
MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC. and UGL UNICCO, Formerly Known As UNICCO Service Company, Third-Party Defendants.	

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This is to certify that a copy of the attached **SO ORDERED MEMO ENDORSED LETTER OF JUDGE DEBRA FREEMAN**, was served via Facsimile and E-Mail, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008, upon:

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August 18, 2008

Defendant Greighound Lines, Inc. Can't any other party that wither to do the some) may designate a representative of each insurer, or third -party administrator of a self-induced restection, as a person who was be brailed "conflusted Information" in this case, subject to the terms of a Protective arts. The parties are derected to submit a jointly proposed protective order to the court do its review to late than September 26, 2008.

**DEBRA FREEMAN** 

Via Facsimile - 212-805-4258

Honorable Debra Freeman United States Magistrate Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 525 New York, New York 10007

Re:

Anderson, et al. v. Greyhound Lines, Inc., et al. v. Motor Couch Inc., et al. (06 CV 13371) and Related Action ORDEHED

Our File No. \$18.34464

Dear Judge Freeman:

This office represents Greyhound Lines, Inc. ("Greyhound") in connection with the above matters. This letter is submitted in response to Goodyear's counsel's August 15, 2008 letter. For the reasons set forth below, as well as those set forth in Greyhound's July 22, 2008 letter to Judge Leisure and those mentioned during the August 7, 2008 conference, third-party administrators and insurers should be permitted to receive confidential information.

At the August 7, 2008 conference the Court asked Goodyear's counsel to submit case law addressing the third-party administrator/insurer issue. Goodyear's counsel has failed to cite a single case that states that third-party administrators and insurers should not be allowed to receive confidential information. On the other hand, Greyhound has cited three confidentiality order cases where an insurer has specifically been included as a party that can receive confidential information. The rationale is obvious and set forth in Greyhound's July 22, 2008 letter. See, Houdini, Inc. v. Goody Baskets, LLC, 2005 WL 6070180 (C.D.Cal. 2005) [Court ordered that "documents designated as 'CONFIDENTIAL'...shall not be disclosed...to any person or entity other than counsel of record for a party...employees and agents of any insurer of any defendants": Iwaneiko v. Cohen & Grigsby, P.C., 2005 WL 4043954 (W.D.Pa. 2005) [Court ordered that "Confidential information shall be disseminated only among attorneys, their support staff, witnesses, parties, their insurers, and experts."]; The Beam System, Inc. v. Checkpoint Systems, Inc., 1997 WL 364081 (C.D.Cal. 1997) [Court so-ordered that confidential information could be disclosed to "a litigation specialist assigned by an insurer providing defense or coverage"]. So much for Goodyear's assertion that "there are no cases in this Circuit which

Greyhound does not accept Goodyear's unilateral reservation at footnote 1 of its August 15, 2008 letter. Contrary to Goodyear's assertion, "trade secret" information and "confidential" information are not different. Rather, trade secret information is merely a type of confidential information. This is made clear by the definition of confidential information -- see paragraph 3(a) of Greyhound's proposed confidentiality order.

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recognize the legal right or necessity to disclose confidential documents to insurers or third-party administrators".

As opposed to setting forth any substantive arguments, Goodyear instead wastes this Court's time by reciting the procedural history of the current form of Greyhound's proposed confidentiality order (see, pages 4, 5, and 7-8 of Mr. Kaplan's letter). This procedural recitation is irrelevant to the substantive issue the Court must decide. Instead of addressing the issue at hand, Goodyear addresses aspects of Greyhound's proposed confidentiality order that are not (yet) before the Court (see, pages 8-9 of Mr. Kaplan's letter2). Goodyear also offers a bunch of form confidentiality orders which are nothing more than forms which are meant to be modified. Even the introductory comments to the "highly regarded" New York City Bar Association form states that "counsel are encouraged to agree to the Stipulation and Order or modify it to accommodate the needs of each case". (Greyhound is at a loss why the "highly regarded" Bar Association form would or should trump case law that recognizes a third-party administrator's/insurer's right to receive confidential information.)

Finally, Mr. Kaplan argues at page 11 of his letter, that Greyhound has failed to offer any reason why third-party administrators/insurers should be entitled to receive confidential information. As pointed out in Greyhound's July 22, 2008 letter, not permitting Greyhound's third-party administrator, or "any insurer that may be liable to pay for or indemnify for any loss(es), verdict(s), judgment(s) or settlement(s)" in connection with this action, to have access to confidential information would have a chilling effect on the typical and usual free flow of information between an insured defendant (such as Greyhound), defense counsel and the insurance carrier. Under Goodyear's proposal neither Greyhound not its defense counsel could provide Greyhound's insurers with a clear and frank assessment of this litigation as it progresses and moves forward. Goodyear's limitations would put Greyhound at risk of the insurer threatening to disclaim coverage or actually disclaiming coverage due to Greyhound's lack of cooperation. The limitation Goodyear proposes could also force Greyhound into the position of claiming that its insurer is acting in bad faith. These scenarios are real and possible if insurers are not given access to confidential information. Goodyear's position on confidentiality would prejudice Greyhound and force Greyhound and its insurers into an untenable and adversarial It is therefore submitted that the Court should permit third-party administrators/insurers to receive confidential information.

The Court's attention to the above is appreciated.

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cc: All counsel via E-Mail and Facsimile

Goodycar's counsel still refuses to confer or meet with Greyhound's counsel regarding apparent objections that Goodycar has to Greyhound's proposed confidentiality order despite this Court's unequivocal directive that "the parties are... to confer in good faith, and to raise additional issues with the Court only if they are unable to reach an agreement after their good faith conference".